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NEBRASKA SENATE RANGES ITSELF ON SIDE OF THE WETS

Bill to Kill Old Law Barring Saloon Within Two and One-Half Miles of Port Crook Goes Through.

VOTE EIGHTEEN TO FIFTEEN

Several Oppose Measure Because It Would Mean Putting Bar Very Near Bellevue College.

QUINBY GIVES ANTIS WARNING

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—That the senate can be classed on the wet side of the prohibition question was indicated this forenoon when in a discussion of S. F. 15, by Gates of Sarpy, a bill to kill the old law which prohibits a saloon within two and one-half miles of Port Crook, the upper body went on record, 18 to 15, against the dry proposition.

However, it is understood that Lahnens is a high license man, but opposes the present bill because it would put a saloon within a short distance of Bellevue college against the protest of the faculty.

Recommendation Bill.
Following the vote on the motion to postpone the committee of the whole recommended the bill in passage. The vote on the motion to postpone, on which the only roll call was taken, was as follows:

Against the motion and for the bill: Bedford, Brookley, Buhman, Gates, Grace, Henry, Howell, Kehl, Krambach, Mattes, Pilsbury, Sargent, Spencer, Spitz, Wessner, Wilson, Dodge, Wilson of Frontier and Wink.

For the motion and against the bill: Beal, Busher, Byland, Dodge, Douthett, Hoagland, Kiesel, Lahnens, Mallory, Marshall, Quinby, Robertson, Ruden, Sandall and Shumway.

Three democrats voted for the bill and four republicans voted against it.

Quinby Heads Letter.
Bellevue college is within the two and a half-mile limit prescribed by the present law. Quinby of Douglas read a letter from President Nichols of Bellevue protesting against the proposed repeal of the bill. The college authorities were greatly opposed to a saloon at the post, he said. Quinby thought the liquor interests unwise in attempting any liberal legislation which, he predicted, would result in precipitating a prohibition landslide. Sandell of York spoke along the same lines, saying that the dry workers would thank the wets for passing the bill, as it would put a club in the hands of every prohibitionist.

Lahnens's Position.
Lahnens of Thayer said that ordinarily he was a high license man, but that he would fight against any measure that would place a saloon at the doors of a Christian college.

Headland and Marshall, Making up the Lancaster delegation, both spoke briefly against the bill. No one supported the bill in debate except its sponsor, Senator Gates, and he did not speak at length.

SENATE WILL KEEP ON PRINTING DAILY JOURNAL

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A motion in the senate by Wilson of Frontier to discontinue the printing of the daily journal, as an unnecessary expense, was lost.

Judge of Douglas characterized the motion as an attempt to steam-roller a committee previously appointed to attempt to secure lower prices on printing, following the example of the house.

The motion was referred to a committee. It provided that the senate secretary make typewritten or mimeograph copies of the daily proceedings.

DODGE MAKES THREAT ABOUT OMAHA AFFAIRS

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Omaha has too small a police force, an inefficient police force, a police force run, not by the city, but by one man, said Senator N. P. Dodge, in a speech on the bill affecting the pay of Omaha firemen and policemen.

"It will not always be so," added the senator. "It will be different when the present commissioners, who vote as one man and as one big man waits them to vote, are no longer in the city hall."

The Weather

Forecast for Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Fair and warmer Thursday.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday	Hour	Temp.	High	Low
10 a. m.	38	42	48	32
11 a. m.	38	42	48	32
12 m.	38	42	48	32
1 p. m.	38	42	48	32
2 p. m.	38	42	48	32
3 p. m.	38	42	48	32
4 p. m.	38	42	48	32
5 p. m.	38	42	48	32
6 p. m.	38	42	48	32
7 p. m.	38	42	48	32
8 p. m.	38	42	48	32
9 p. m.	38	42	48	32
10 p. m.	38	42	48	32
11 p. m.	38	42	48	32
12 m.	38	42	48	32

Comparative Local Record.

Year	High	Low
1914	52	21
1913	52	21
1912	52	21
1911	52	21
1910	52	21
1909	52	21
1908	52	21
1907	52	21
1906	52	21
1905	52	21
1904	52	21
1903	52	21
1902	52	21
1901	52	21
1900	52	21

Highest yesterday..... 52
Lowest yesterday..... 21
Mean temperature..... 38
Precipitation..... 0.00
Normal precipitation..... 1.00
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:
Normal temperature..... 38
Deficiency for the day..... 0
Total excess since March 1..... 0
Normal precipitation..... 1.00
Excess for the day..... 0
Total rainfall since March 1..... 0
Deficiency since March 1..... 0
Deficiency for cor. period 1912, 1913, 1914..... 0

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station	Temp.	High	Low
Omaha	38	42	32
Lincoln	38	42	32
Beatrice	38	42	32
St. Paul	38	42	32
Wichita	38	42	32
Omaha	38	42	32
Lincoln	38	42	32
Beatrice	38	42	32
St. Paul	38	42	32
Wichita	38	42	32

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

SERVIAN WOMEN dig the graves for the fallen soldiers of their fatherland near the Austrian border, where the fighting has been most furious.



NEW HIGH RECORD FOR WHEAT HERE

Car of Turkey Red Sells for \$1.43, While All Other Grains Soar on Light Receipts

RYE SETS ANOTHER HIGH MARK

Light receipts everywhere and an increased foreign and domestic demand boosted wheat on the Omaha market far above any price that has been heretofore paid, thus establishing a new high record. One car of turkey red sold at \$1.43, while ordinary No. 3 hard sold at \$1.29 to \$1.43 and No. 4 at \$1.35 to \$1.46, all new records.

Wheat prices were from 1/2 cent to 2/3 cents above the high of Tuesday, 26th, corn, though steady, was around 3/4 cent per bushel higher, selling around 75 to 80 cents.

Oats were strong at 54 cents per bushel, and rye set another high mark at \$1.15. Millers were bidders for a large portion of the wheat offered on the Omaha exchange, those from Minnesota taking several carloads and those from Iowa and Missouri liberal quantities.

Grain receipts for the day were light for the middle of the week, there being twenty-two cars of wheat, 18 cars of corn and twenty-six cars of oats.

Reports from the country are that farmers feel that they can afford to take the chances on higher prices and consequently are holding their wheat. It is understood that a good many are holding in anticipation of getting \$1.50 per bushel before another crop is ready for market.

Two Cents Up at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Dealings in wheat expanded rapidly today, and high record prices continued to be broken. Gains of nearly 2 cents a bushel, was compared with last night were quickly made. July wheat, which had closed at \$1.54 1/2, jumped to \$1.57. May climbed to \$1.47 1/2. The highest point attained before by May since the beginning of the war, was yesterday, \$1.46 1/2.

New upturns in quotations at Liverpool and predictions of a cold wave possibly endangering the domestic winter crop, had much to do with the fresh advance here.

In later dealings the wheat market lacked only 1/2 cent of touching \$1.50. The May delivery having ascended to \$1.48 1/2. July made a greater relative advance, 3 cents a bushel, to \$1.57 1/2.

Reports were received that Nebraska millers were buying wheat at prices equal to \$1.50 on the track at Chicago.

Wilson Will Veto Immigration Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—It was stated authoritatively today that President Wilson will veto the immigration bill because of the literacy test. This became known after a conference between the president and committees of both houses of congress, which had the measure in charge.

German Officer is Killed in Explosion

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 27.—(Via London.)—Colonel Seydelbeck, commanding the German forces in German southwest Africa, has been killed at Windhoek, according to advices received here. He was examining land mines when one of them accidentally exploded and caused his death.

NEW PACKING COMPANY ORGANIZED AT PERRY, IA.

PERRY, Ia., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The organization of the Perry Packing company was completed here yesterday. It will take over the plant and business of the Van Camp Packing company, which has been in operation here for the last six years. The incorporators of the new company are Lester Corlies of Omaha, Guy Brewer of Des Moines and Tom Walsley of Cedar Rapids. The articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state today and the new company will take charge of the business February 1.

COAL RATES ARE FURTHER SUSPENDED BY ORDER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The Interstate Commerce commission further suspended from February 2 until August 2 the operation of certain schedules increasing rates on bituminous coal to carloads from mines in southern Illinois to Omaha and to certain points grouping therewith, the operation of which was suspended from October 4 until February 1.

Rockefeller Says He May Go to Colorado With Mother Jones

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—During the mid-day recess of the federal industrial relations commission, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and "Mother" Jones had another meeting. They were photographed shaking hands.

"After we have our conference," said "Mother" Jones, "I want you to come out to Colorado with me and see the things I have seen. I am sure what you will see will make you do things which will make you one of the country's greatest men."

Mr. Rockefeller smiled, and said, "I'm afraid you are inclined to throw compliments."

"Oh, no," replied "Mother" Jones. "I am more inclined to throw bricks." Mr. Rockefeller said he might go to Colorado with "Mother" Jones.

At the afternoon session Mr. Rockefeller said that it had been the ideal of the Rockefeller foundation to select the ablest man available to conduct its investigation into industrial relations. With that in mind, Mr. King had been selected. He will be permitted to follow his own methods and plans with the hope on the part of the foundation that the result will be beneficial to humanity as a whole, the witness said.

"What do you think is the underlying cause of industrial unrest?" Mr. Rockefeller was asked. "I thought I knew," replied the witness. "I would long ago have given utterance to my ideas. I do not believe myself capable of terminating the cause. I urged an investigation by the foundation in order to get at the true cause of industrial unrest."

Mr. Rockefeller said that in his opinion employer and employee "do not come face to face often enough."

He did not know what would happen if the committee of employees of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and the company's officials should become deadlocked. He was in favor of having the employees appeal to the directors in such event. This is one of the questions which he expects to take up with the employees when he visits Colorado, he said. Mr. Rockefeller was then excused. He had been on the witness stand for the better part of three days.

The Austrian emperor adopted this course, the witness said, as a result of the recent visit to Berlin of Archduke Charles Francis, the Austrian heir-apparent, and of Baron von Blunier, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs.

The Austrian emperor, it is added, desired to leave his successor with a free hand.

EMPIRE OBSERVES RULER'S BIRTHDAY

Newest and Fastest Zeppelin with Count Aboard Off to Salute Kaiser.

BERLIN IS DECKED WITH FLAGS

GENEVA (via Paris), Jan. 27.—The newest and fastest Zeppelin dirigible balloon yet constructed, fully equipped for war and it is stated, with Count Zeppelin aboard left Friedrichshafen this morning in fine weather to salute Emperor William on his birthday. The dirigible subsequently will join the North Sea aerial fleet.

EMBARGO PUT ON CHICAGO CATTLE

No Stock May Be Shipped Out Until All the Pens Have Been Thoroughly Fumigated.

PITTSBURGH ALSO QUARANTINED

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Squads of men began disinfecting the Chicago Union Stock Yards, the world's largest cattle market, today, for the second time within three months to prevent a possible serious outbreak of foot and mouth disease.

Orders received by Dr. U. G. Houck, chief veterinary inspector of the federal bureau of animal industry, placing an embargo at the yards against the shipment of cattle out of the yards until the sties of pens and alleys have been disinfected, became effective yesterday.

The order was issued because it was suspected that a new case of the disease found among cattle originated in the Chicago yards.

There was no immediate danger of a complete shutdown, Dr. Houck said. Live stock will be permitted to come into the yards for construction of buildings. (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

The National Capital

Wednesday, January 27, 1915.

The Senate.
Senator Gallinger continued speaking in opposition to the administration ship bill.

The House.
The senate bill for improvement of the Illinois river was debated. Work was begun on the military academy and sundry civil appropriation bills.

James Hill authorizing construction of bridges over several navigable streams, (H. R. 100) and a bill appropriating \$50,000 for construction of bridges and other aids to navigation.

Representative Foster of Illinois announced that federal bureau of mines had worked out simplified process of recovering radium.

Adjourned at 2:35 p. m. to 31 a. m. Thursday.

10-ACRE BARGAIN

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FRANCIS JOSEPH TO LEAVE THRONE OF DUAL REALM

Emperor of Austria Reported to Be Arranging to Abdicate Because of Trouble with the Kaiser.

WOULD LEAVE HEIR FREE HAND

Action Said to Be Result of Visit of Archduke and Foreign Minister to Berlin.

WILHELM'S ATTITUDE REASON

GENEVA, Switzerland (via Paris), Jan. 27.—According to reports received here today from Innsbruck in the Austrian crown lands of Tyrol, Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is arranging to abdicate. It being said that he is unable to agree with the views of Emperor William on military affairs and also because of the German emperor's attitude regarding the peace.

The Austrian emperor adopted this course, the witness said, as a result of the recent visit to Berlin of Archduke Charles Francis, the Austrian heir-apparent, and of Baron von Blunier, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs.

The Austrian emperor, it is added, desired to leave his successor with a free hand.

Criminal Practices Preceded Adoption of the Call Rule

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Beneficial in the way of an assured market and increased bids were offered by country grain companies under the now abandoned "call rule" of the Chicago Board of Trade, according to testimony today by managers of country elevators in the government's suit against the Board of Trade under the anti-trust laws.

The call rule established the official price of grain when the Board of Trade was not in session. It was attacked by the government as an arbitrary fixing of grain prices.

Gardner B. Van Ness, member of the Board of Trade since 1894, was questioned by Judge Landis concerning the reasons for adopting the call rule.

"Why did you want the rule adopted?" asked the court. "My all say that you made more money, bigger profits before its adoption."

"I didn't make more money," said Mr. Van Ness. "There were certain members of the board who had advantages through railroad facilities."

"That is, you mean," said Judge Landis, "that there were a lot of criminal practices going on before the rule was made, and some of you regarded those gentlemen as having a club?"

"Yes," replied the witness.

Chicago Operators Refuse Grain from Farmers' Elevators

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Further inquiry into the actions of Chicago grain elevator owners and their effect upon various farmers' elevator companies would be made, it was expected today, as a result of developments brought out in the government's anti-trust suit against the Chicago board before Federal Judge Landis yesterday.

Edward G. Dunn of Mason City, Ia., democratic candidate for governor of Iowa in 1912, told the court that the farmers of Iowa had been obliged to organize to protect themselves from elevator owners.

The witness said he was manager of a Farmers' Co-operative Grain Elevator company and secretary of a state association of these concerns, on whose membership rolls were 65,000 farmers.

Judge Landis questioned Mr. Dunn, and was told that at the time Chicago grain operators refused to handle the Iowa farmers' grain. The judge said he would examine Mr. Dunn further tomorrow.

The government's inquiry into the alleged price fixing of the now extinct "call committee" of the Chicago board as regards the present high price of wheat was continued today.

Wilson May Make His Trip to Pacific Coast Overland

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—While plans for President Wilson's trip to San Francisco in March still include passage through the Panama canal and attendance at the formal opening ceremonies, provision is being made so Mr. Wilson could at the last moment change his itinerary and go to the Pacific coast by rail.

It is the president's desire to keep in close touch with the capital to be able to return on short notice. It was said today that preparations were being made to take into account any developments in Mexico or Europe. The legislative situation and the success or the failure of the administration ship bill, with the possibilities of an extra session of congress, are elements in the situation.

Benson Commercial Club Unanimous for Annexation

At a meeting of the Benson Commercial club Tuesday night the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we are heartily in favor of annexation to the city of Omaha, as it is a progressive measure, and we petition the legislature of the state of Nebraska to so amend Senate Bill No. 2 as to include Benson, and that the following committee be appointed to present these resolutions to the senate and house of representatives: J. J. McArdle, James Walsh and W. R. White.

The committee went to Lincoln last night. The resolution is signed by seventy-five of the business men of the town.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM NORTH SEA BATTLE

British Admiralty Says Second German Cruiser Sunk and Berlin Says Foe Lost Three Craft.

DIRTIBLE GETS INFORMATION

LONDON, Jan. 27.—An official statement issued tonight says:

"The German cruiser Kolberg is reported to have been sunk in Sunday's battle in the North Sea."

Assess British Ship Lost.
BERLIN, Jan. 27.—(By Wireless.)—Saville, L. L.—Contrary to the British reports that in the naval fight in the North Sea on Sunday last no British ships were lost and that pursuit of the German ships finally was abandoned on account of German mines and submarines, the following official statement was given out today by the German government:

"The three hours' fight which cost us the armored cruiser Blücher, one British battle cruiser and two British destroyers were sunk."

Learned by Torpedo Boat.
"These facts not only were observed by our big ships, but also were ascertained by a German torpedo boat, which returned unhurt. This torpedo boat shot two torpedoes against a British battle cruiser, which already was heeling over, whereupon it capsized and sank."

"This also was ascertained by a German dirigible which was flying over the fighting scene. The dirigible observed on the British ships falling masts and funnels. It is certain therefore that further cruisers were seriously damaged."

"Finally the British fleet withdrew from the German squadron and beyond the reach of their guns. There was no question of pursuit of the German ships because the high speed of the British vessels would have enabled them to catch up with and destroy the German cruisers."

English Report Incomplete.
"This time it is possible to verify the British reports, which it was impossible to do in the case of the battle off the Falkland Islands, of which details are lacking. We only know that several British ships are now docking at Gibraltar to repair damages inflicted by the German cruisers Scharnhorst and Goltzmann, and that, therefore, the British official report on the battle off the Falkland Islands, at least, is incomplete and colored in British interests."

"The unreliability of the reports of the British admiralty is also proved by the fact that the admiralty even now does not admit the loss of the battleship Audacious."

President Cables Congratulations to Kaiser on Birthday

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—President Wilson today sent a message to Emperor William of Germany congratulating him on his fifty-sixth birthday. His message was as follows:

"In behalf of the government and people of the United States, I have the pleasure to extend to your majesty cordial congratulations on this anniversary of your birth, and to assure you of my own good wishes for your welfare."

(Signed) "WOODROW WILSON."

On his own birthday anniversary recently President Wilson received and acknowledged greetings from Emperor William, King George, President Poincare and other rulers of Europe.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The fleet of German liners tied up at their docks in Hoboken since the beginning of the war blossomed out today with German and American flags and with red, white and black bunting in observance of Emperor William's birthday.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—(By Wireless to London.)—Two birthday decrees of amnesty were issued by Emperor William today, the fifty-sixth anniversary of his birth. The first releases the active military from the disciplinary punishment inflicted upon them in court-martial within a period of one month's imprisonment; the second decree annuls the prosecution of soldiers for offenses committed previous to the receipt of their call to arms.

Exchange Reduces Minimum Steel Price

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—After United States Steel common stock, whose dividend was suspended yesterday has been offered in large lots all day with practically no buyers at its established minimum price of 48, the board of governors of the New York Stock exchange voted at the close of the market today to fix for the stock a new minimum price of 41.

Although more than 50,000 shares were offered at 48, the established minimum, it was estimated that in today's trading not more than 2,000 shares changed hands at this price.

Fresh selling sent the general list lower in the afternoon, with occasional feeble rallies on supporting orders. Steel common sold down to 43 1/2 in the unofficial market.

White is Lobbyist for Consolidation

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—R. W. White of Omaha has registered as a lobbyist on annexation legislation. Mr. White says that he is for the proposed jointure of the two Omahas.

J. A. C. Kennedy of Omaha has registered as the representative of the Missouri Pacific Railway company.

HOWELL ASKS CLERK FOR HIS COMMITTEE

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A clerk to the senate committee on municipal affairs was asked for this afternoon by the chairman of that committee and was referred to the committee on committees. William Canady of Omaha was mentioned as the new clerk.

Senator Howell says that the work of that committee has become so heavy that it is impossible to get along without some help.

JOHN BULL WILL PUT ALL FOOD ON CONTRABAND LIST

London Globe in Leading Editorial Says This Will Be Logical Outcome of German's Confiscation Act.

WILL SEIZE ALL THE CARGOES

Paper Argues if Food is to Be Considered Government Property it Cannot Land.

WILHELMINA'S CASE DISCUSSED

The Day's War News

EMPEROR WILLIAM was 56 years old yesterday and though there is little information of the day's military activities, latest reports available made it apparent that the emperor's troops were endeavoring to win for him a birthday gift in the shape of a victory at arms. Two days ago violent German attacks were begun at several points. They developed with greatest force against the British along the Aisne in France, near the Belgian border, and against the French further south, in the region of Craonne.

TURKISH ATTEMPT to invade Egypt, several times reported, at least has begun, according to official advices from Athens, which say that three Turkish army corps under command of Djemal Pasha are engaged in the movement.

NEW AUSTRO-HUNGARY plan in the east, which as an immediate object calls for the protection of the dual monarchy from Russian invasion, seems to have exerted already a marked influence on the campaign. An official statement today from Vienna reports that important victories over the Russians have been gained.

RUSSIAN OFFICIAL statement asserts that successes were won in recent fighting in Galicia, where attacks of the Austro-German forces were repulsed everywhere. In central Poland, along the Warsaw front, the Germans made several violent assaults, but are said to have been driven back with heavy losses.

BRITISH TROOPS once more are withstanding the brunt of the German attack in the west. Several fighting continues along the La Bassee canal, where the Germans appear to have won the advantage.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The decision of the German government to seize stocks of flour and grain makes them absolute contraband, instead of conditional contraband, as they were heretofore, argues the London Globe, in a leading article printed today.

"We permitted food to be imported by Germany," the newspaper says, "provided it was intended for the civil population alone, but now that it is to be treated as government property, it becomes absolutely contraband and vessels carrying food supplies to the enemy's ports, or to neutral ports from which these cargoes are to pass into Germany, will do up at the peril of capture."

The editorial argues that in view of the new status of flour and grain, the American steamer Wilhelmina, which sailed from New York, January 23, with cargo of food for Germany, has no right to land its supplies at Rotterdam.

WIFE OF GREEK CONSUL IN BELGIUM IMPRISONED

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 27.—(Via London.)—A message from Liege, Belgium, states that the wife of Greek Consul Calwast, who was charged with aiding Belgians to escape, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

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